MICHAEL D. SCANNELL.

JANUARY 29, 1897.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Baker, of Kansas, from the Committee on Invalid Pensions, submitted the following

REPORT.

[To accompany H. R. 6754.]

The Committee on Invalid Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 6754) granting an increase of pension to Michael D. Scannell, having considered the same, respectfully report:

Soldier served from February 9, 1865, to September 20, 1865, as a private of Company C, One hundred and fifty-sixth Illinois Volunteer Infantry, when honorably discharged.

He is now pensioned at \$12 per month under the general law for piles contracted in service.

The testimony filed with the committee shows this soldier now totally blind, and is nearly destitute of property and has a large family to support.

From these circumstances the committee recommend the passage of the bill after being amended by striking out all of the printed bill after the word "of," in line 4, and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "Michael D. Scannell, late a private of Company C, One hundred and fifty-sixth Regiment Illinois Volunteers, at the rate of thirty dollars per month."

Also amend the title so as to read: "A bill granting an increase of pension to Michael D. Scannell."